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Volunteer Opportunities

Again this year, Star Jorgensen is offering CIDSO members and friends volunteer spots for the Prairie Air Show in Peoria. If we manned a booth, we could get a percentage of sales donated to CIDSO. Or folks can just volunteer on their own. Either way you get free admittance and parking and other "special treatment" for volunteering. The standard volunteer slots are:

Friday July 23rd, 5:30pm-10pm

Saturday July 24th, 8:00am-4:30pm

Sunday July 25th, 8:00am-4:30pm

In the past, Star has been able to make accommodations to shorten the slot length!

What Would You Do?

On May 19th, ABC's What Would You Do aired a segment titled, Special Needs Special Treatment, which sought to break down outdated stereo-types and educate the public about the advancements and achievements made by people with Down syndrome over the last 30 years.

As difficult as it is to watch, it is important to see how people respond to situations around them. It reminds us that the need to raise awareness must be continued. This need does not take a summer break! Take heart, our efforts to raise awareness have and continue to have a positive impact.

Madeleine Will, Vice President of the NDSS National Policy Center, was the featured expert. This show can be found on the NDSS website.

Buddy Walk Bulletin Board

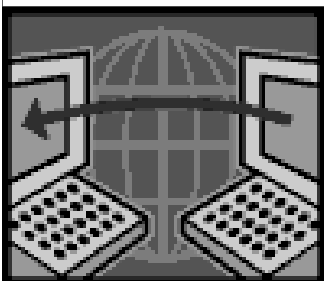
Just a friendly reminder of some important Buddy Walk details. The Buddy Walk is going to be October 2, 2010 at Carden Park, located behind Prairieland Elementary in Normal. Registration and fun will begin at 8:00 and the walk will start at 10:00. This is the 6th year of the CIDSO Buddy Walk and we have some very special things planned. For details, view the 2010 registration form at <http://www.cidso.org/files/RegistrationBrochure2010.pdf>

CIDSO's online fundraising page is up and running! Visit www.firstgiving.com/cidso to help raise funds for CIDSO and the 2010 Buddy Walk. It is easy to create a fundraising page, simply click the "Get Started" button on the web site and follow the step by step instructions. You can also use this website to make a donation or search for fundraising pages of people you would like to sponsor.

Team spirit is something that helps to add fun and energy to the walk. Please consider forming a team, coming up with a team name, and showing a "sign of support" for your team. There will be a sign making station available at the walk or you can make own in advance. The largest team (as reported to the registration table by the team captain) will be the Grand Marshalls for the walk and will have their photo featured on next year's registration materials.

As a reminder, pets are welcome to join the walk as long as they stay outside. Hope to see you there!

NDSS Webinar



Each month, NDSS offers an educational webinar for affiliates to attend and share with their members. Each webinar features a guest speaker and focuses on a topic important to people with Down syndrome and their families such as education, healthcare and research. In May, Jo

Ann Simons spoke about the transition to adulthood. In June, NDSS looks forward to offering a webinar on postsecondary education opportunities for people with Down syndrome. For more information please see the NDSS website!

Mark the Date

June 27th & 28th: *Microboard Meeting*

July 12th: *Board Meeting*

August 28th: *CIDSO picnic at Fairview.*

October 2nd: *Buddy Walk*

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